IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the title by rewriting he same as follows:

--MEMORY APPARATUS AND A DATA-PROCESSING APPARATUS, AND

METHOD FOR USING THE MEMORY APPARATUS--

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 3, 5, 8, 10, 14, and 15 by rewriting the same as follows:

1. (Amended)   A memory apparatus comprising:

a first storage region from which data can be read and into which data can be

written, in accordance with instructions made by a user: and

a second storage region from which data can be read and into which data can be

written only by a data-processing apparatus designed to read from and write to said second

storage region.

3. (Amended)   A memory apparatus according to claim 1, characterized in

that the second storage region is used as a region for storing password data.

5. (Amended)   A memory apparatus according to claim 1, characterized in

that the second storage region is used as a region for storing a use history of the memory

apparatus.

8. (Amended)   A data-processing apparatus comprising data processing

means for writing data into, and reading data from, an memory apparatus comprising a first

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storage region from which data can be read and into which data can be written, in accordance with instructions made by a user, and a second storage region from which data can be read and into which data can be written by said data-processing apparatus only if said data-processing apparatus is designed to read from and write to said second storage region,

wherein said data-processing means writes data into, or reads data from, the first storage region when the instructions made by the user are supplied to the memory apparatus to ~~write the data into, or to read from, the memory apparatus~~

10. (Amended)   A data-processing apparatus according to claim 9, characterized in that the data to be written into the first storage region of the memory apparatus or the data written in the first storage region of the memory apparatus is managed in units of files, and the data-processing means designates a logic address from the data written into the first storage region of the memory apparatus or from the file name of the data to be written in the first storage region and refers to the conversion table, thereby writing data into the first storage region or reading the data from the first storage region.

14. (Amended)   A data-processing apparatus according to claim 11, characterized in that password data written in the second storage region of the memory apparatus is read when the data processing means receives instructions to write data into the memory apparatus or read data from the memory apparatus, thereby writing data into the first storage region of the memory apparatus or reading data from the first storage region the password data written in the second storage region coincides with a respective password data input by the user.